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In re application of:

Schwarz et al.

Application No.: 09/424,498

Filed: November 24, 1999

For: PHARMACEUTICAL
PREPARATION COMPRISING
VWF PROPEPTIDE

Customer No.: 20350

Examiner: Schnizer, Holly G.

Art Unit: 1653

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed April 4, 2003. The original deadline for submitting a response to this Office Action was July 4, 2003. A petition for a three month extension of time is enclosed, which extends the deadline for response to October 4, 2003. Because this date fell on a Saturday, the deadline is further extended until October 6, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.